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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Re: Application of Kenjiro YOSHIOKA, Kiyoteru KATSUKI and Tomoe ARUGA
FIXING DEVICE AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS
Assignee: **SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION**
Our Ref. Q79876

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising eighty-three (83) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and twenty-seven (27) sheets of drawings. **The Requisite Government Filing Fees, copies of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.** Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified).

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>26</u>	-	20	=	<u>6</u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$108.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>6</u>	-	3	=	<u>3</u>	x	\$86.00	=	<u>\$258.00</u>
Base Fee									<u>\$770.00</u>

TOTAL FEE **\$1136.00**

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
JAPAN	2003-035907	February 14, 2003
JAPAN	2003-035908	February 14, 2003
JAPAN	2003-067446	March 13, 2003
JAPAN	2003-073185	March 18, 2003

The priority documents will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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